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SUBJ: COLONEL NARONG KITTIKACHORN

- 1. RTG OFFICIALS REMAIN HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE RETURN TO THAILAND OF COL. NARONG KITTIKACHORN. GENERAL KRIS SIVARA, RTA COMMANDER AND DIRECTOR OF PEACEKEEPING UNDER THE SANYA REGIME, ASKED THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR DECEMBER 6 TO KEEP HIM INFORMED ON NARONG'S TRAVEL PLANS. OUR ESTIMATE IS THAT NARONG WOULD RECEIVE AN EXTREMELY UNFAVORABLE RECEPTION SHOULD HE SOMEHOW SUCCEED IN ARRIVING HERE.
- 2. THE CHIMERA OF THIS POSSIBILITY IS SO STRONG, THAT A FORMER POLICE DIRECTOR GENERAL TOLD THE PRESS A FEW DAYS AGO THAT NARONG WAS PLANNING TO HAVE FACIAL SURGERY AND THEN STAGE A COMEBACK IN ALLIANCE WITH THE KMT BASED IN NORTH THAILAND.
- 3. WE RECOGNIZE THAT BOTH EMBASSY TAIPEI AND THE ROC ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE SENSITIVITY OF THE NARONG ISSUE IN THAILAND. WE WOULD JUST LIKE TO REITERATE KRIS'S REQUEST FOR EARLY INFORMATION ON ANY SPECIFIC TRAVEL PLANS NARONG MIGHT HAVE. KINTNER

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